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SHEET FOLDING AND BINDING APPARATUS AND METHOD

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**AMENDMENT** 

GROUP 3600

Sir:

In response to the first Office Action dated October 31, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 20, 29 and 33 as follows:

20. (Amended)

A sheet folding and jogging apparatus, comprising:

a receiving device configured to receive a sheet from outside and convey the sheet;

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail addressed to the Assistant

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